Petitions in the High Courts of Karnataka, U.P. and Gujarat. Action is being taken to obtain an early decision of the Courts. Pending final decision by the Courts, medicinal kits have not been provided to the VHGs. The entire Scheme will be reviewed after the decision of the Courts is known.

Rise in charges of beverages meals by the Railways

*276. DR. MOHD. HASHIM KIDWAI; Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state what is the rise in the charges for beverages and meals served in the railway station refreshment rooms and in tcains during the last three years and in the current financial year so far?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): The charge for tea and coffee and of standard meals are uniformly applicable on all Zonal Railways. Revisions made in prices of these items after 1-1-84 are indicated in the statement laid on the Table of the Sabha.

Statement

(a) *Tea and Coffee*	Price on 1-1-84	Price as revised from 15-10-87 g
Tea in cups (150 ml)	Rs.	Rs.
Refreshment Rooms/trains	0.50	1.00
Tea in potslflasks (285 ml)		
Refreshment Rooms/Trains	1 25 1 35 Plus Sales Tax.	2.00 2-00 Including Sales Tax.
Coffee in cups (150 *ml)*		
Refreshment Rooms/trains ,	0.75	1-25
Coffee in potslflasks (285 ml)		
Refreshment Rooms/Trains *(b) Standard Thali Meals*	1-50 1 6 0 Plus Sales Tax.	2-50 2.50 Including Sales Tax.
Vegetarian		

	Price on 1-1-84 11-11-81) (fixed or Rs.		Price revised from 15-6-85		Price revised from 15-10-87	
			Rs.		Rs.	
Refreshment Rooms/Trafns *Non-ve getarian*	3.50 4.00	Plus Satexl Tar,	4-50 5-00	Plus Sales Tax.	7.00 7.00	Including Sales Tax.
Refreshment Rooms/Trains	4.50 5.00	Plus Sales Tax.	6 0 0 6. SO	Plus Sales Tax.	9.00 9.00	Including Sales Tax.

:(c) *Janata Khana Packets*

	Price on 1-1-84 (fixed on 15-11-82)	Price as revised from 15-10-87
	Rs,	Rs.
Refreshment Rooms/Trains	1.50	2 00

(b) Casserole Meals

Standard meals in casseroles were for the first time' introduced on 1.6.85. The price thereof has been increased onlv once with effect from 15.10.87, as under:—

	Price on 1-6-85		Price as revised from 15-10-87	
	Rs		*R*	
Standard vegetarian casserole meals				
Refreshment Rooms/trains	6.O0	Plus Sales Tax	7-00	Including Sales Tax.
Standard non-vegetarian casserole meals				
Refreshment Rooms/trains	7.00	Plus Sales Tax.	9.00	Including Sales Tax.
Special non Vegetarian Cisserole meals	13.00	Plus Safes Tax.	15.00	Including Sales Tax.
Economy meals				
1 Puri/Aloo 2 Idli-Vada/Stuffed Puri 3 Veg. Pulao/Sambhar bhat/curd bhat	2-00 2-50 3.00	Plus Sales Tax.	3.00 400	Including Sales Tax.

NOTE: The price of drinks like aerated etc. are fixed by each Zonal Railway, and local market prices.

Commercial marketing by Pawan Hans

*277. SHRI SURESH KALMADI :

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION he pleased to state :

(a) whether Pawan Hans has made any advances planning for using its 'helicopters;

(b) whether any commercial marketing is being done by Pawan Hans; and

(c) whether it is a fact that Pawan Hans is having problems with the engine used for Westland helicopters?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRl SANTOSH MOHAN DEV) : (a) Yes, sir.

(b) Yes, Sir,

(c) Yes, Sir. Some problems have been encountered.

International Commission on the Health Research of the Third World

*278. SHRI KAPIL VERMA : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY welfare be pleased to store :

(a) whether Government are aware that a newindependent International Commission on health research is being form-